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49/21. Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions

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Economic assistance to States affected by the implementation of the Security Council resolutions imposing sanctions against the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro)

The General Assembly,

Recalling the provisions of Articles 25, 48, 49 and 50 of the Charter of the United Nations,

Recalling also, Security Council resolution 842 (1993) of 18 June 1993, in which the Council entrusted the Committee established pursuant to its resolution 724 (1991) of 15 December 1991 with the task of examining requests by Member States for assistance under the provisions of Article 50 of the Charter,

Recalling further Security Council resolution 943 (1994) of 23 September 1994, in which the Council invited the Committee established pursuant to resolution 724 (1991) to adopt appropriate streamlined procedures for expediting its consideration of applications concerning legitimate humanitarian assistance,

Recalling the recommendations of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 724 (1991) concerning Yugoslavia in response to requests for assistance under the provisions of Article 50 of the Charter received by the Council from certain States confronting special economic problems,

Reaffirming its resolution 48/210 of 21 December 1993 on economic assistance to States affected by the implementation of the Security Council resolutions imposing sanctions against the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro), in which it supported the above-mentioned recommendations of the Security Council Committee and appealed to all States and invited the competent organs and specialized agencies of the United Nations system to fulfil those recommendations,

Commending the efforts of the international financial institutions and those States which responded to the appeal of the Secretary-General by taking into consideration the special economic problems arising from the implementation of the sanctions in their support programmes to the affected States,

Commending also the steps undertaken by the intergovernmental and regional organizations, in particular the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe and the European Union, as well as through the Central European Initiative, to assist the affected States in developing regional transport and communications infrastructures,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General of 9 September 1994 on the implementation of resolution 48/210, 1/ and in particular of the conclusions contained therein,

Confident that in compliance with Article 49 of the Charter, the Member States of the United Nations shall join in affording mutual assistance in carrying out the measures decided upon by the Security Council,

1. Expresses concern at the persisting special economic problems confronting States, in particular the States that border the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro), the other Danube riparian States and all other States adversely affected by the severance of their economic relations with the Federal Republic and the disruption of traditional transport and communications links in that part of Europe and their continuous adverse impact on the economies of those States;

2. Recognizes the urgent need for a concerted response from the international community to deal in a more effective manner with the special economic problems of the affected States in view of their magnitude and the adverse impact of the sanctions on those States;

3. Invites the international financial institutions to continue to pay special attention to the economic problems of the affected States arising from the implementation of the sanctions and the adverse social impact and to consider, inter alia:

1/ A/49/356.

(a) How the existing facilities of the International Monetary Fund might be helpful to the States concerned, with the view to alleviating their special economic problems;

(b) How consultative group meetings of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development for the countries in question, scheduled for 1995, might further help to mobilize additional resources to mitigate the losses and costs incurred by those countries;

4. Requests the competent organs, programmes and specialized agencies of the United Nations system to take into consideration, in programming their development activities, the special needs of the affected States and to consider providing assistance to them from their special programme resources;

5. Renews its appeal to all States on an urgent basis to provide immediate technical, financial and material assistance to the affected States to mitigate the adverse effect on their economies of the application of sanctions against the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) inter alia through consideration of the provision of assistance for the promotion of the exports of the affected countries and for the promotion of investments in those countries;

6. Requests the Secretary-General to continue to seek, on a regular basis, information from States and the concerned organs and agencies of the United Nations system on action taken to alleviate the special economic problems of the affected States and to report thereon to the Security Council, as well as to submit a report on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Assembly at its fiftieth session.

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B

Financing of the Palestinian Police Force

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 48/213 of 21 December 1993 on assistance to the Palestinian people,

Noting the establishment of the Palestinian Police Force pursuant to the Declaration of Principles on Interim Self-Government Arrangements 2/ and the Cairo Agreement on the Gaza Strip and the Jericho Area, 3/

Noting also the establishment of the Ad Hoc Liaison Committee pursuant to the Conference to Support Middle East Peace, held in Washington, D.C., on 1 October 1993,

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2/ See A/48/486-S/26560.

3/ See A/49/180-S/1994/727.

Conscious of the need to establish a mechanism for disbursements to the Palestinian Police Force,

1. Requests the Secretary-General to designate a United Nations agency to disburse, with due attention to the need for thorough accounting, the voluntary contributions given by donors in light of the activities of the Ad Hoc Liaison Committee for salaries and other start-up costs of the Palestinian Police Force, for a period ending not later than the end of March 1995;

2. Encourages all Member States to contribute funds for this purpose through the designated United Nations agency;

3. Also requests the Secretary-General to report on the implementation of the present resolution.

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C

Special emergency assistance for the economic recovery and reconstruction of Burundi

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 48/17 of 3 November 1993 and 49/7 of 25 October 1994 concerning the situation in Burundi,

Considering that the political crisis with which Burundi has been beset since October 1993 has had negative effects on its economy as evidenced, in particular, by the destruction of many social and economic infrastructures, the sluggish pace of production activities and the sharp decline in public revenue,

Recalling also that prior to the crisis, Burundi was distinguished by the efficiency of its macroeconomic management,

Noting that Burundi has been making efforts to alleviate the adverse impact of the recent political turmoil on its economy and has thus helped substantially to improve the situation,

Convinced that the country has the capacity to achieve appreciable economic performance under its structural adjustment programme,

Convinced also that the recent formation of a coalition Government holds out the promise of rapid economic recovery and effective reconstruction,

Taking into account, however, that in view of the inadequacy of the economic and financial resources of Burundi, the continued assistance of the international community is needed to implement the plans and programmes set for the new coalition Government,

1. Expresses its gratitude to all States, United Nations institutions and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations for the emergency humanitarian assistance that they have been delivering to Burundi since the onset of the crisis;

2. Invites all States, United Nations institutions and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to provide Burundi with economic, financial, material and technical assistance for economic recovery and for the reconstruction of the various infrastructures damaged or destroyed during the crisis;

3. Requests the Secretary-General, in close cooperation with the Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity, to coordinate the activities being implemented by the United Nations system to meet the needs of the people of Burundi adequately and to mobilize the assistance of the international community;

4. Also requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its fiftieth session on the implementation of the present resolution;

5. Decides to consider at its fiftieth session the item entitled "Special assistance for the economic recovery and reconstruction of Burundi".

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